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Subject: Kalamazoo River Institute journalists' tour

Thanks for bring this to Anne's and my attention and for your ideas on how to proceed.

While the organizers of the Kalamazoo River Institute appear to have misrepresented or exaggerated any coordination with EPA, the fact remains that a number of journalists are expecting an opportunity to learn about EPA cleanup sites along the Kalamazoo River this week.

Since we have good stories to tell about all our work in this area, here is the proposal that Anne will make to the Institute organizers. PLEASE GET BACK TO ANNE AND ME RIGHT AWAY IF YOU ARE ONE OF THE IDENTIFIED PARTICIPANTS AND WILL NOT BE AVAILABLE.

EPA will not participate in any of the joint discussions that the Institute has proposed. We will be able to make EPA-only presentations and talk with the journalists. In addition to the RPM or OSC, an EPA press officer, Francisco Arcaute, and an ORC attorney, will attend.

We'll need to work with the organizer to pick the locations for the meetings.

PORTAGE CREEK: Paul Ruesch - tour the site and talk about what we have accomplished and our goals for the site

ALLIED PAPER: Mike Berkoff/Jim Saric – Because a decision has not been made yet on the remedy and we are still in deliberative mode, provide primarily a procedural update.

TALMADGE CREEK: Ralph Dollhopf – talk about the history and current activity. Tour?

PLAINWELL DAM: If Sam Borries is available to go there, tour and talk about the accomplishments on this completed project.